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Dear Madam or Sir:

Please grant the petition, filed under docket #98P- 0203/CP, that would eliminate the practice of forced molting and deliberate starvation of hens for egg production.

Not only does the practice increase the risk of salmonella, it is also very cruel to the animals involved. This procedure is banned in Britain but is still prevalent in the United States. Let's not let it continue here any longer.

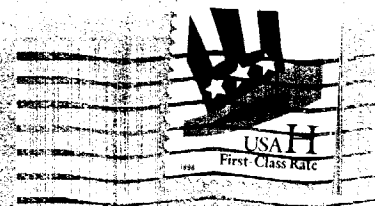
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